STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH **BUREAU OF REGULATORY SERVICES**

In Re: Judith S. Murphy, R.N.

Petition No. 2000-0323-010-014

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, Judith S. Murphy, R.N. (hereinafter "respondent") of Chester, Connecticut has been issued license number R26975 to practice as a registered nurse by the Department of Public Health (hereinafter "the Department") pursuant to Chapter 378 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, respondent hereby admits and acknowledges that:

- Respondent was issued a registered nurse license number R26975 on January 10, 1975. 1.
- Respondent was employed at Chestelm Health Care as a licensed registered nurse from June 3, 2. 1996 until March 13, 2000. Respondent resigned on March 13, 2000
- On March 8, 2000, respondent discarded a patient's medication into the discard box. 3. Respondent then took and placed into her tote bag a partial blister pack of Prozac 10 mg. capsules.
- At present respondent is unemployed. 4.
- The above described facts constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to the General 5. Statutes of Connecticut, 20-99(b), including but not limited to:
 - 20-99(b)(2); and/or
 - 20-99(b)(6). b.

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WHEREAS, respondent, in consideration of this Consent Order, has chosen not to contest the above allegations at a hearing in front of the Board of Examiners for Nursing (hereinafter "the Board"). Respondent further agrees that this Consent Order shall have the same effect as if ordered after a full hearing pursuant to §§19a-9, 19a-10, and 20-99(b) of the General Statutes of Connecticut.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to §19a-17 and §20-99(a) of the General Statutes of Connecticut, respondent hereby stipulates and agrees to the following:

- 1. Respondent waives her right to a hearing on the merits of this matter.
- 2. Respondent shall comply with all federal and state statutes and regulations applicable to her profession.
- 3. Respondent's license number R26975 to practice as a licensed registered nurse in the State of Connecticut is hereby reprimanded.
- 4. Legal notice of any action shall be deemed sufficient if sent to respondent's last known address of record reported to the Licensure and Registration Section of the Division of Health Systems Regulation of the Department.
- 5. This Consent Order is effective on the first day of the month immediately following the month in which this Consent Order is approved and accepted by the Board.
- 6. Respondent understands this Consent Order is a matter of public record.

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7. Respondent understands this Consent Order may be considered as evidence of the above admitted violations in any proceeding before the Board in which (1) her compliance with this

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same Consent Order is at issue, or (2) her compliance with §20-99(b) of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, is at issue.

- 8. This Consent Order is not subject to reconsideration, collateral attack or judicial review under any form or in any forum. Further, this Consent Order is not subject to appeal or review under the provisions of Chapters 54 and 368a of the General Statutes of Connecticut, provided that this stipulation shall not deprive respondent of any other rights that respondent may have under the laws of the State of Connecticut or of the United States.
- 9. Respondent permits a representative of the Department to present this Consent Order and the factual basis for this Consent Order to the Board. The Department and respondent understand that the Board has complete and final discretion as to whether an executed Consent Order is approved or accepted.
- 10. Respondent has had the opportunity to consult with an attorney prior to signing this document.

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Notary Public or person authorized by law to administer an oath or affirmation

Kathleen Zarrella, Director
Division of Health Systems Regulation

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